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# Isham emphasizes dialogue between tribes and state during ‘State of Tribes’ address

Ken Luchterhand  
Staff Writer

Stereotypes, misconceptions and myths about tribes in Wisconsin still persist to this day. And those misunderstanding get in the way of protecting what is culturally and intrinsically important to Native Americans within the state.

That message was the main theme of the annual State of the Tribes address on Tuesday, February 16, at the state Capitol in Madison.

Michael “Mic” Isham Jr., chairman of the of the Lac Courte Oreilles (LCO) band, one of six Ojibwe bands in Wisconsin, gave the address in the assembly chambers in front of an audience of lawmakers and Native American representatives and members. Wisconsin has held a State of the Tribes address every year since 2005.

Ho-Chunk Nation President Wilfrid Cleveland was present and acknowledged at the event.

Isham spoke often about the misconceptions about Native Americans.

“The questions I get sometimes from seemingly well-educated people when I’m in meetings in

Washington D.C., Madison, speaking at colleges, and from the general public, can be jaw-dropping,” Isham said. “I can’t count the number of times I’ve been asked if we still live in teepees and ride horses.”

He used to get perturbed at those questions but, over time, he has learned that the questions are not meant to be insulting, but merely from individuals who know very little about the tribes.

“Now when I get the question, ‘Do you still ride horses and live in teepees,’ I respond back with, ‘Do you still drive a stagecoach and live in a trapper shack?’”

Another one of the myths is that Native Americans don’t know their own language, he said. Not only do they know their own language, they know English as well, he said. Proof of that is the fact that Niizhoo Sullivan and Michael J. Isham III provided the prayer and pledge in their own language before the State of the Tribes address.

Non-natives also refer Native Americans as pagans, he said.

“Today, we practice religion in much the same manner as the general population of the United States. We have a lot of tribal people who practice native religions, but we also have people who belong to a wide variety of churches that line the streets of America. We have Baptists, Lutherans, Jehovah’s Witnesses, Jews, and Muslims,” he said. “I, myself, went to Catholic schools in Milwaukee for six years. I am a recovering Catholic.”

Another misconception is that natives are Democrats, he said. Isham named several Democrats, Republicans who were supported by his tribe.

Isham said that his tribe was redistricted without any consultation from the people, which made them quite upset.

“One candidate, who unsuccessfully ran against Bob Jauch many times finally came to the realization that the tribal support for Senator Jauch was impactful so she came and visited us. I asked her why, after all these election cycles did



**Michael “Mic” Isham Jr. acknowledges the tribal dignitaries present at the State of the Tribes address.**

she finally come visit us. She said that she was quite frankly ‘afraid.’ We said ‘afraid of what?’ She said she had always heard that if you ever get a flat tire on the rez just keep driving or you could be in danger. I could not believe what she said. Again we replied ‘in danger of what?’ She would not specify. She did not get our support.”

Isham segued into the speech to emphasize several areas of legislation that affect the state of the tribes, the people’s education, culture, and valued natural resources.

“We were heartened recently by the demise of AB 620, which would have resulted in the desecration of burial and effigy mounds. All of Wisconsin’s tribes stand with our Ho-Chunk relatives in their opposition

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**The State of the Tribes address was given before a full assembly chambers, including state representatives and senators, tribal representatives and members of the public.**



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# ‘State of Tribes’ address

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to this bill. For us Ojibwe, we experienced firsthand the effects of an education system that failed to properly educate and inform our neighbors about whom we are as a Native people, about our origins, our history, and our identity. We were objectivized and victimized. We felt the pain of rocks and ball bearings slung from slingshots at northern Wisconsin boat landings simply because we were lawfully and peacefully exercising our constitutionally protected treaty rights,” Isham said.

At LCO, the flooding of the Chippewa and Chief Rivers destroyed the villages and burial sites, he said. There were times when the bones of their ancestors were being washed up on the shores of what is now known as the Chippewa Flowage.

“AB 620 rekindles those excruciating memories for us,” he said. “It sends the wrong message and would reinvigorate the types of misinformed attitudes, stereotyping, and hateful behavior that we saw at the boat landings and in our schools back in the 1980’s. Big thank you to the representatives responsible for killing that bill.”

Isham said that even though lawmakers passed Act 31 — a law requiring Native American education in public schools — more than two decades ago, he’s “not convinced that schools across the state are complying.”

“I would like to call on the tribal state relations committee to add an enforcement mechanism to Act 31,” he said.

Isham said Wisconsin students should learn more than just about the Native Americans of the 1700s and 1800s — they should also learn about time periods through the present day.

“It’s extremely important to the tribes as we know this will improve tribal, state and community relations,” he said.

At the same time, Isham said that while public schools statewide need better Native

American education, reservation schools need better resources for extracurricular activities.

“Sports, for example, are a tried and true anti-gang and anti-drug program. Due to funding issues, sports tend to be the first ones that get cut,” Isham said.

He believes tourism is an important element in the state’s economy, drawing tourist dollars from outside the area.

“Each tribe has their own individual tourism and marketing departments but the tribes also have tourism initiatives that we do collectively through an organization called Native American Tourism of Wisconsin or NATOW,” Isham said.

“The State Tourism Department is funded by \$8,967,000 of Tribal Gaming Compact revenue. NATOW is funded by \$200,000 of gaming revenue,” he said. I would like to call on the representatives here to increase funding to NATOW up to \$500,000 at least and I can guarantee that the money will be used to increase cultural tourism which will in turn benefit tribal and state treasuries alike.”

Another great example of the tribes partnering with state government is the example of the cooperation with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services.

“All of the tribal nations together with the DHS have been meeting with our Federal counterparts in the executive and legislative branches of government to obtain support for a Home and Community Based Waiver application that we have submitted to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services,” he said.

“If approved, the waiver will enable tribes in our sovereign capacity to bill Medicare/Medicaid for services in the same manner in which states do. Doing this will save the tribes and the state money which could be budgeted to meet other unmet health care needs.”

Also, the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program was a major step in working through complicated federal, state and tribal jurisdictions.

Individuals were taking one prescription and making the rounds of several pharmacies to obtain more medication than what was prescribed. Those people would eventually be identified through the pharmacy reporting requirements but by that time these guys were long gone, he said.

With this new monitoring program if a prescription was picked up it would be entered into the computer and all the pharmacies were made aware of it instantly. If anyone tried to get that prescription filled anywhere else the computer would alert the pharmacist and the medications would be denied. The pharmacy could also then alert authorities. This initiative has stopped a lot of pills from hitting the streets.

Another topic Isham emphasized is jobs and the economy.

“I spoke earlier of how we don’t hear many of the state officials speak of our tribal contributions to their respective missions. One such area is in the area that has been the topic of a lot of speeches lately— jobs,” he said.

“I have heard speeches and presentations by Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development, chamber directors, economic board chairs, State of the State addresses — I have yet to hear about the tribal contributions to the state jobs numbers. Our numbers are a big part of this state’s economy,” he said.

In Sawyer County, Lac Courte Oreilles entities are an economic force, Isham said. The tribal government is the top employer in the county, with the LCO Casino, Lodge and Convention Center second. LCO also has several other prominent employers that make the top lists of the Sawyer County economy, the K-12 School, LCO Headstart, LCO Ojibwe Community



State of the Tribes speaker Michael Isham Jr. is greeted by Assembly representatives after his introduction.

College, LCO Health Center, and LCO Development Corporation.

“We also have three gas stations, grocery store, The Landing Resort, and many more private businesses. Recently we purchased Al Capone’s Hideout and plan on making that a tourist attraction,” he said.

“When you take all the payroll, payroll taxes, vendor purchases from vehicles to napkins, and we shop local as much as possible, our impact is in the millions. We contribute more to the local treasury than our area Walmart or McDonalds? Do they buy local?”

The areas of natural resource management and environmental protection are rife with differences.

“And, for the life of me, I can’t figure out why,” Isham said. “These are areas where we have much in common and should be working hand-in-hand. Pristine water, clean air, lush woodlands, healthy and clean fish and wildlife populations benefit us all. Our state’s overall public health and well-being, as well as a sustainable economy are dependent on clean air, clean water and clean land.”

Tribal nations, though each separate and distinct, share the same reverence for the earth, he said.

“We consider her our Mother who provides us with our sustenance and nurtures our spirit. We understand that every one of us is an integral part of the environment. We know that every one thing around us can survive without us human beings, but that we humans cannot survive without the gifts that Mother Earth provides. What is detrimental to the environment is detrimental to us.”

He understands how easy it is to draw distinctions about tribes’ and the state’s approach to natural resource management. For example, the tribe manages fish for subsistence, while the state manages fish primarily for sport.

“I would venture to say that we all have heard at one time or another the debate surrounding the ‘harvest’ ethic of tribes versus the ‘sport’ ethic of the state,” Isham said. “Frankly, I find this debate to be unproductive. It preys upon long-standing myths that somehow a dead fish at the

end of a spear is different than a dead fish at the end of rod.”

LCO and other tribes strongly oppose measures like AB 600, which would permit the destruction of our wetlands and the wild rice, he said. It’s also why tribes are concerned about things like:

- frac sand mining and the loss of local control over such operations;
- the proposed Penokee mine and the legislative changes that accompanied that proposal;
- uncontrolled shoreline development and the lessening of shoreline protections;
- inadequate control of pollution and nutrients from cranberry operations;
- the continuing failure to effectively address chronic wasting disease (CWD) in captive deer herds thereby putting the wild herd at unacceptable risk;
- a proposed swine operation in the Chequamegon Bay region in a watershed that already is impaired by unacceptable phosphorus levels; and
- An apparent trend toward what I would call the privatization of public and tribal treaty resources for the benefit of a few and contrary to state’s constitutionally enshrined public trust doctrine.

“Let’s address these matters together to protect Mother Earth for everyone’s well-being today and for generations to come,” Isham said.

He said he could go on and list many more myths and misconceptions. I could also go on and on and contrast successful and not so successful partnerships.

“The most important point I hope that I have made today - what I would like everyone to take from my remarks today is that by increasing our dialogue and increasing our trust, across all areas of our state and tribal relationship we will be able to dispel those myths and misconceptions. By increasing our dialogue and increasing our trust we will be able to move our state and our tribes forward to benefit all our citizens,” he said.

“The State of the Tribes is good and getting better,” Isham said. “We are alive and well in the 21st century.”



Niizhoo Sullivan (at podium) provides the opening greeting in Ojibwe language with Michael Isham III at his side to provide the prayer.



# Let's Move' program shifts into high gear

**Ken Luchterhand**  
Staff Writer

It's back by popular demand and it's got nearly everyone moving.

The "Let's Move" program is in full swing, causing incentive for people to get off the couch and get some physical activity. As of Wednesday, February 17, there were 555 people signed up.

"It's an incentive to get people active during the winter months," said Exercise Physiologist Kathleen Clemons of the Ho-Chunk Healthcare Center.

By signing up with the program, each participant is given a pedometer, unless he or she has one from a previ-

ous fitness challenge. It is open to any Ho-Chunk member or employee and they can either sign up as an individual participant or a member of a team. Teams consist of up to three people.

On Monday, each individual or team leader is requested to report the steps earned from the previous week. The results are posted later in the week so everyone can evaluate their progress versus other people or teams.

There are three levels available to teams and individuals, Clemons said. There is the "novice" level at 4,000 steps per day, the "intermediate" level at 7,000 steps per day, and the "advanced" level at 10,000 steps per day.

"People are excited because it's a rough time to be active. This helps them get through the winter months," Clemons said.

There are drawings throughout the program and are random, not based on competition.

Other activity programs are available through the Ho-

Chunk Healthcare Center, such as 5k and 10k snowshoe races, the Pace and Pedal event and regular fitness classes. The classes include water aerobics, a "boot camp" exercise class, "Exercise Light" and Elder Fitness.

"We're really doing what we can to increase fitness opportunities for people," Clemons said. "I see a lot of people make some really good changes – a lot who have done a really great job of changing their lives."



Employees of the Ho-Chunk Nation, (from left) Pat Hall, Milena Grooms, Melissa Garvin and Bobbi Johnson, get their steps in while exercising at the Tribal Office Building.



The pedometer is the key to success. If your step total is high, you're on the road to good health.

## Sinbad performs at Ho-Chunk Gaming Black River Falls



Sinbad cracks up the crowd with his style of humor on February 14 to the Ho-Chunk Gaming crowd in Black River Falls.



Marc Yaffee, Sinbad and Chase Anthony pose for photos after their performances at Ho-Chunk Gaming – Black River Falls.

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# Ho-Chunk tradition threatened because of invasive species

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Staff Writer

The Ho-Chunk Nation Division of Natural Resources (DNR) met with basket makers and pounders to discuss the fate of healthy black ash trees suitable for basket making.

The concern comes after the discovery and growing population of the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB).

The EAB is an invasive species not found in North America, rather, it is from areas such as Asia, East Russia, and Japan.

It is speculated that the EAB found solid wood packing (i.e., wood pallets) on a cargo ship, burrowed in it, and when the cargo ship landed in Detroit in 2002 so did EAB.

Since 2002, the EAB has continued to spread throughout Michigan and has been making its way to neighboring states including Wisconsin.

Black ash trees in Michigan have all been affected by the EAB and are dead or dying.

In 2008, EAB was found in southern Wisconsin.

The discovery of EAB in Wisconsin has prompted the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to implement quarantine areas.

Another invasive species that has also been quarantined along with the EAB is the gypsy moth.

While the gypsy moth does not pose as big of a threat to black ash trees it is still being quarantined to make sure it does not move to more areas in Wisconsin.

This past August 2015 the EAB was discovered in Jackson County.

The rate at which the EAB has spread is unprecedented and its rapid spread has been attributed to people moving wood across county and state boundaries for camping.

“Don’t move firewood,” cautioned Mark Gawron, Ho-Chunk DNR Forester.

Since the discovery of the EAB in Wisconsin the Ho-Chunk DNR have been avidly searching for ways to protect black ash trees.

“The Nation has been monitoring EAB for six years and we have set traps throughout Ho-Chunk trust and fee simple lands,” said Gawron.

In May 2015, Kjetil Garvin, basket maker and DNR Technician, started to inventory the number of black ash trees suitable for making baskets.

The total number of basket trees found was 14.

“Not every black ash tree is a good basket tree,” said Garvin.

Basket trees found are located in areas such as the north and south regions of the Kickapoo Valley Reserve, Dells Dam, White Otter property in Juneau County, and Wittenberg.

In October, the DNR met with basket makers and pounders in the Black River Falls area to discuss options for existing black ash basket trees that have not been affected by EAB.

Basket makers and pounders in both Black River Falls and Wisconsin Dells were given seven options and requested to choose three options.

The seven options are;

1. Inject tree area with either TREE-age or TreeAzin

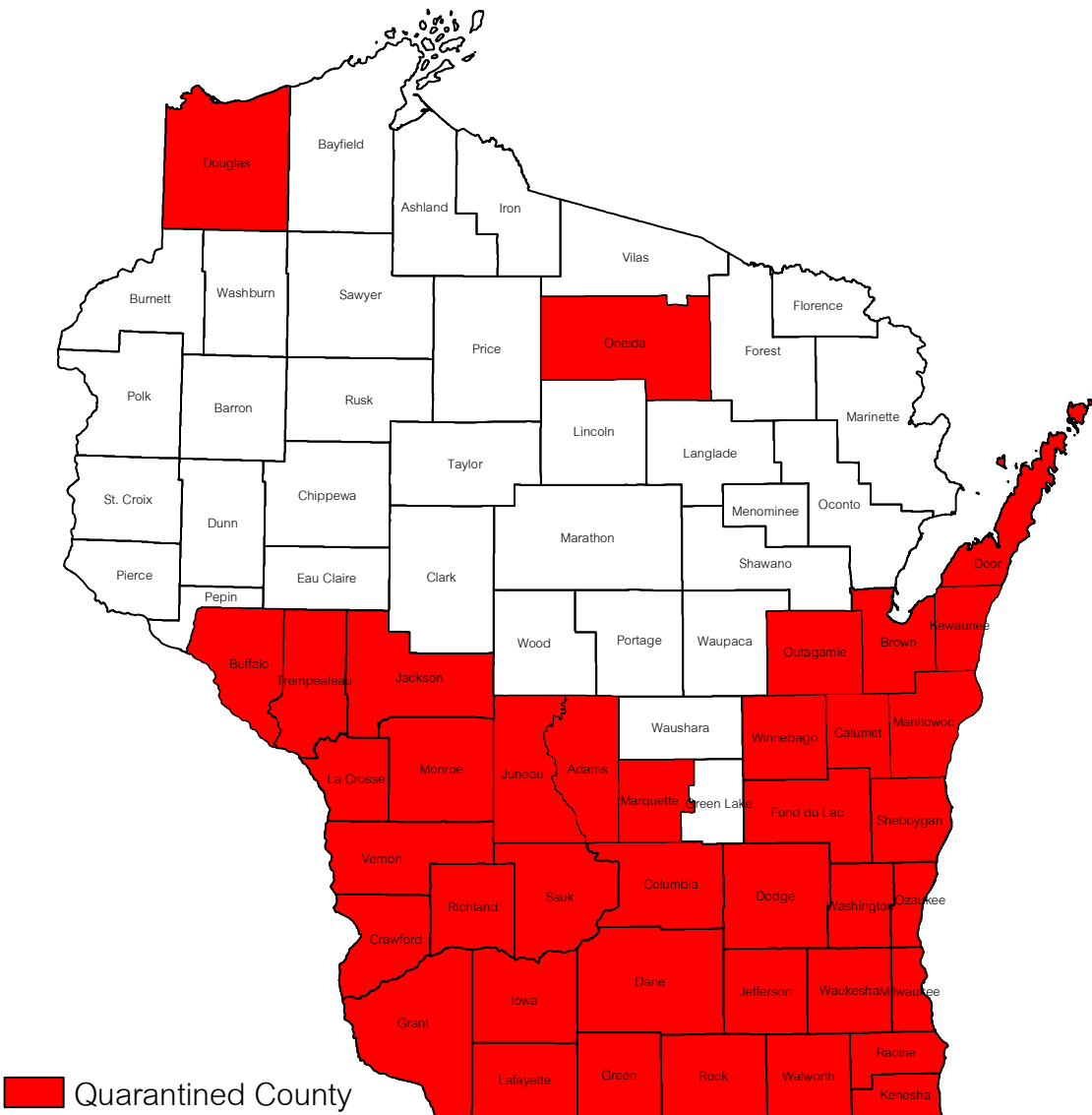
2. Harvest all ash, pound immediately and store splints
  3. Harvest all basket trees and then store in deep, cold water, or running stream
  4. Store seed and start a black ash plantation once the bug is done
  5. Trade resources with other black ash weaving nations who are not yet affected by EAB
  6. Find a substitute tree species (e.g., Manchurian Ash)
  7. Cross fingers that cold will stop EAB north of us
- At the conclusion of the meeting in Wisconsin Dells area residents were against injecting tree area with insecticide, trading resources with other black ash weaving nations, and finding a substitute tree species.
- Collectively, Wisconsin Dells, Black River Falls, and Wittenberg basket makers and pounders supported options to harvest all black ash basket trees, to pound them, and store the splints and they also were in favor of storing seeds and starting a plantation.
- The DNR is also considering to reach out to homesteads, private and public lands to possibly harvest black ash basket trees on those properties.



Emerald Ash Borer trap

## Wisconsin Emerald Ash Borer Quarantined Counties

Effective August 13, 2015



Marian Miner and others listen to Ho-Chunk DNR presentation.



Adult Emerald Ash Borer





# New paycard to be issued through Treasury Department

**Ken Luchterhand**  
Staff Writer

Soon, employees of the Ho-Chunk Nation will no longer be able to use the BMO Harris Paycard. That’s because BMO Harris indicated they are leaving the payroll card business.

“Because of this fact, we will be replacing the current BMO Harris payroll card with a card from ‘rapid! Paycard,’” said Ho-Chunk Nation Treasury Director Sandy Gleason. “A new ‘rapid! Paycard’ will be sent by U.S. Postal Service to all existing BMO Harris Payroll cardholders.”

Selection of the ‘rapid! Paycard’ was through the Request for Proposal (RFP) process, said Ho-Chunk Nation Accounting Manager Chris Dreves.

The cards are being produced now and will be in the participants’ hands soon. After April 1, any remaining balance on the BMO Harris

Paycard will be refunded by check to the cardholder.

Current cardholders should note the following dates and actions:

February 24, 2016: BMO Harris Bank is mailing out letters to existing cardholders to the address currently registered with them. This letter will provide detailed information on the BMO Harris Payroll Card timeline.

Starting February 23, 2016: ‘rapid! Paycards’ go into production and should arrive within seven to 10 days at the address provided. The recipient should follow the enclosed instructions for activating the new paycard.

March 15, 2016: The last deposit to the BMO Harris Payroll Card. The card should continue to be used until March 31, 2016. Funds can be withdrawn with purchases, ATM withdrawals or cash advances at any bank that issues

Mastercard cards.

March 18, 2016: The first loading of funds to the new ‘rapid! Paycard’ will occur.

April 1, 2016: Remaining funds on BMO Harris Payroll Card will be refunded to the cardholder by check to the address on file.

The changeover to a different doesn’t mean the Ho-Chunk Nation will be severing ties with BMO Harris. Checks will still be issued through the BMO Harris Bank, just that the paycard system will have changed, Gleason said.

Customers of the ‘rapid! Paycard’ can use the card for payroll, per capita payments and per capita loans, Dreves said.

“The new card will be more universal,” Dreves said. “The BMO Harris could be used with no fee at about 1,900 ATMs nationwide, while the

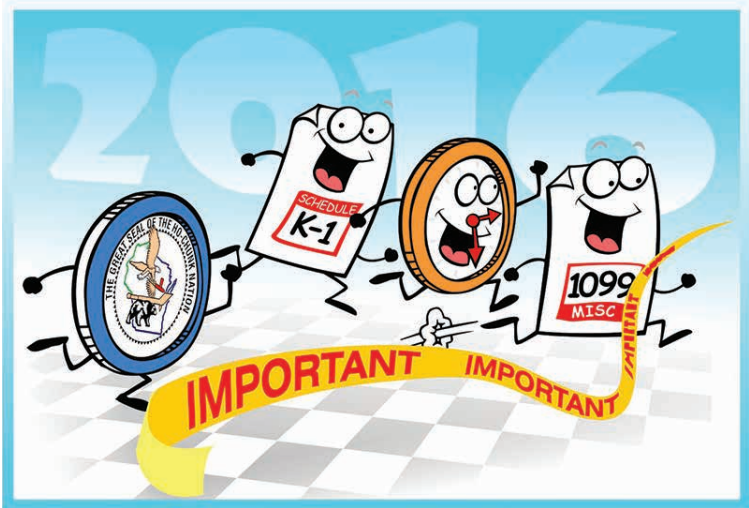


‘rapid! Paycard’ can be used at about 70,000 ATMs, or any Mastercard ATM, with no fee.”

Recipients of the new “rapid! Paycard” will have no bank account, rather just the card system. It will not affect BMO Harris checking accounts.

The change should not make a huge impact, since the payroll card is used by only about 300 employees and tribal members, Gleason said.

“I’m hoping this will be a smooth transition,” Gleason said.



## Tax returns for minors

Submitted by  
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This year you will receive just one Schedule K-1 from Providence First Trust Company for your child with per capita funds in the Ho-Chunk Minors Trust. You should have already received your year-end statement of performance. The Schedule K-1 will be mailed the end of February.

Please take the enclosed Schedule K-1 from Providence First Trust Company plus the form 1099 you received from the Ho-Chunk Nation as soon as possible to your tax return preparer. When you contact your tax preparer, have your (the custodial parent/guardian) tax return with you. The tax return preparer will need some information off your tax return in order to complete the minor’s taxes for the Kiddie Tax calculation on IRS Form 8615. PLEASE DO NOT WAIT until a few days prior to April 15 to begin this process, or you risk penalties for late filing. (Your tax return preparer will need a few days

to prepare tax returns and then we need a few days to process the tax payments.)

Enclosed with the Schedule K-1 that you will receive, will be a Tax Payment Form, which you can use to authorize payment to your tax return preparer (if you have not previously done this).

If you have any questions, please call Providence. (1-800-350-0208 or email to [sf@providencefirst.com](mailto:sf@providencefirst.com) and [dabosted@providencefirst.com](mailto:dabosted@providencefirst.com))

The Schedule K-1 and Form 1099-MISC are sent to the IRS every year by the Nation. The IRS and States will wait at least 3 years before notifying the taxpayer their tax returns have not been filed. Due to this, when you do file the minor child’s taxes they will be subject to *hundreds or thousands of dollars in penalties and fines*. So please help us help your children properly file tax returns and avoid unneeded penalties and interest.

**Note:** If your minor child does end up with a federal or state refund, these refunds should be applied to the next year’s tax. This will help your child’s trust grow throughout the years.

## Let’s Bead!



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# Ho-Chunk boys basketball play in Beaver Dam

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Staff Writer

The Ho-Chunk Boys Basketball team played in the Blue Diamond Hoops Tournament at the Wayland Academy Fieldhouse in Beaver Dam on Sunday, February 21.

“This is our third tournament, most of our games and tournaments are through the Great Northwest Basketball League and school district leagues,” said Coach Leland Bird.

The first Blue Diamond Hoops tournament game, Ho-Chunk played St. John’s-Jefferson and came out victorious with a score of 45-19.

Ho-Chunk’s second game was against New Berlin.

In a thrilling match-up down into the last seconds of the game, New Berlin upset Ho-Chunk with a score of 40-37.

The last game for Ho-Chunk was against Plymouth.

Plymouth defeated Ho-Chunk with a score of 49-33.

The next tournament for Ho-Chunk is slated for March 19-20 in Wisconsin Dells.

The basketball team started the season towards the end of December and have been playing in tournaments throughout the state.

“We have a core group of talent,” said Coach Bird.

Completing the Ho-Chunk roster is DJ Scott (Black River Falls), Elliot Bird (Black River Falls), Gavyn Littlewolf (Black River Falls), Averie Tom (Black River Falls), Bear Bruguier (La Crosse), Jackson Hamilton (La Crosse), Damek Walker (Nekoosa), Robert Miles (Tomah), Neohemiah Two Bears (Twin Cities), Bryson Funmaker (Wisconsin Dells), David Cleveland (Wisconsin Dells), and Joe WhiteEagle, Jr. (Wisconsin Dells).



Ho-Chunk vs. St. John’s/Jefferson



Front (L-R): Bear Bruguier-Guard, Bryson Funmaker-Guard, and Neohemiah Two Bears-Guard  
Back (L-R): DJ Scott-Forward, Damek Walker-Forward, Robert Miles-Guard, Coach Leland Bird, Gavyn Littlewolf-Forward, Elliot Bird-Guard, Joe WhiteEagle, Jr.-Forward, and Parent Volunteer Greg Bird.



Parent Volunteer Greg Bird assisting in warm-up.



## Ho-Chunk Basketball Schedule

March 19-20th

March Madness Classic-Wisconsin Dells

Just a Game Fieldhouse-200 La Crosse Street

March 26-27th

Run & Gun Invitational-Tama, Iowa

The Sett-349 Meskwaki Road

April 16-17th

Ho-Chunk Invitational Tournament-Baraboo

House of Wellness-S2845 White Eagle Road

May 7th

Great Wolf Lodge All-Star Classic

Wisconsin Dells

Just a Game Fieldhouse-200 La Crosse Street

May 22nd

Noah’s Ark Start of Summer Shootout

Wisconsin Dells

Just a Game Fieldhouse-200 La Crosse Street

June 10-12th

North American Youth Sports Tournament

Madison

Madison College-1701 Wright Street

July 21-22nd

Exposure Classic-Wisconsin Dells

Just a Game Fieldhouse-200 La Crosse Street



Damek Walker on defense against Plymouth.





# Expo connects students and parents to college and university programs

AJ Cloud  
Staff Writer

Higher education institutions throughout Wisconsin came to the tribal office building to showcase their programs to Ho-Chunk youth and parents.

"The main goal of the Youth and Family College Expo is to provide youth with the opportunity to learn more about various college academic programs through hands on learning and also to provide information to youth and families about resources within and outside of the Ho-Chunk Nation," said Karla Nichols, Ho-Chunk Pre-college Advisor.

For the past three years the Ho-Chunk Nation Higher Education Division has coordinated with colleges and universities to provide an opportunity for students to connect with programs that may interest them.

The day started with lunch provided and catered by BP Smokehouse.

The students were given

an agenda which indicated college and university workshops and a map to find them throughout the atrium.

Education Department's School and Community Relations Division also had informational sessions for parents on Pre K-12 services and assistance.

"Nine parents attended our session, we received really good feedback. They learned a lot and some parents wanted more information," said Brook Funmaker, Ho-Chunk Youth Enrichment Specialist.

Colleges and universities that were a part of this year's expo were Western Technical College (Accounting), UW-River Falls (Computer Science), UW-Eau Claire (Early Childhood Education), UW-Madison (Health Sciences), UW-Stevens Point (Natural Resources), Chippewa Valley Technical College (Information Technology), Mid State Technical College (Marketing), Madison Area Technical College (Health Sciences



**Students get hands-on experience with Chippewa Valley Technical College's Information Technology.**



**JoAnn Jones address youth and parents at expo.**



**School and Community Relations dialogue with parents.**

& Nursing), UW-Oshkosh (American Indian Student Services), and UW-Colleges (Associate of Arts and Science).

"I think each student probably walked away from the event with different things that stood out for them. Some of the youth primarily focused on visiting the various college booths and doing hands on

activities and learning about future education and career opportunities," said Nichols.

Nearly 40 students and more than 20 parents were in attendance for the day.

Students came from areas such as Nekoosa, La Crosse, Tomah, Wittenberg, Milwaukee, and Hudson.

The day ended with drawings for various door prizes

and guest speaker the Honorable JoAnn Jones.

Talking to youth and parents, Jones emphasized the importance of education and how education will help Ho-Chunk people and the Nation.



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## Meeting Notice

**Ho-Chunk Nation  
Law Enforcement Commission  
Monthly Meeting**

**Thursday, March 3, 2016 • 10:00 am**

Ho-Chunk Nation Law Enforcement Center  
W9598 HWY 54, Black River Falls, WI



# Ho-Chunk launch new language programs

CASSANDRA COLSON  
Jackson County Chronicle  
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Language teachers Dana DeBoer and Gordon Thunder find joy in hearing their high school-age students speak Ho-Chunk.

The language of the Native American tribe has seen a steady decline in fluent speakers in recent years, but new and revived efforts to pass it on to future generations have begun and will be ongoing in the future.

“(Hearing students speak Ho-Chunk) is great. Every day (Gordon) says to them that hearing them talk makes him so happy,” said DeBoer, a teacher of Ho-Chunk with Gordon at Black River Falls

High School. “It’s so exciting. It’s like, ‘Oh my gosh, we taught them this and now they can say it on their own.’ It’s also like they’re your children and speaking their first words. It’s just the best feeling.”

The Nation has been working to make its efforts on preserving and fostering the Ho-Chunk language more visible in recent years, including this month’s launch of new classes that are meant to take the knowledge of those who’ve recently learned the language and bring them to willing learners in the community.

The Ho-Chunk Academy now is offering weekly classes in Black River Falls, Tomah and Wisconsin Dells at the same time the tribe is

growing its partnership with UW-Marshfield/Wood County to provide college-level education and training to apprentices who will teach the language to a variety of age groups.

The tribe is believed to currently have 100 or fewer eminent – or first-language speakers – of its native language. That’s a number that’s down from an about 300 a half decade ago.

“I would say the Ho-Chunk language – we just need to continue to push it through. It’s a team effort,” said Samson Falcon, the Nation’s language apprentice program manager. “Now the language division is starting to show (the community) this is what the language division is – we’re here for the people, for the communities. We’re here to share the language, share the culture.”

“It’s a team effort, and it’s not our language – it’s not the language division’s language. We are all in the efforts to get the language out to the people. We’re coming together to talk about these issues and come up with solutions.”

The Nation has a group of people who have graduated from the language apprenticeship program and now are able to start to assist with teaching the community classes, which are set during both work hours and evening times to give the most opportunities to those interested in taking them.

The work is crucial for preserving culture and the Ho-Chunk identity, said Angelica Greendeer, the Ho-Chunk Academy’s program manager.

“It’s scary – when you’re Ho-Chunk to know that your language is almost gone. That’s the last thing you want to happen (because) that’s your identity,” said Greendeer, 32. “It’s not just speaking the language. It’s living the language. It really defines who we are and defines our identity as the Ho-Chunk people.”

The Nation for several years has collaborated with school districts to offer language courses in high schools



**Jeff Verona leads a UW-Marshfield composition class for those people who will help teach the Ho-Chunk language. The Ho-Chunk Nation has partnered with the college in its efforts to teach the language to more community members.**



**Students Andrea McCaskey and Shena Munden participate in a college composition class at the Ho-Chunk Nation Executive Building in Black River Falls.**

for teenage youth interested in learning. There currently are classes in BRF, Tomah and Wisconsin Dells, with the highest participation in Black River Falls – the area in which the tribe’s headquarters is located.

Black River Falls has three class levels that DeBoer and Thunder share duties teaching – work that involves educating students who are passionate about learning and speaking Ho-Chunk. Classes range from word learning to composition and speaking the language and expand on the sometimes basic words spoken in Ho-Chunk homes, like the word dad that is spelled jaaji.

“A life goal for most people – and I can say for me personally – was to learn the Ho-Chunk language,” DeBoer said. “The majority of (students) are taking their responsibility to learn the language very seriously. They want to

learn it, they want to speak it, they want to use it outside of the classroom. They want to use it at home with their families and their friends and because they know where we are with the state of our language.”

The Nation also soon will receive results from its tribe-wide census launched last fall, and the data gathering will include information from respondents about their knowledge of the tribe’s language – another avenue for determining future education efforts, Falcon said.

“In compiling that information, we’ll probably get a better view of what the situation looks like with how many fluent speakers and first-language speakers we have,” he said.

“We’re looking for community support because that’s who we’re trying to reach out to.”

SUMMONS  
(Second Publication)  
IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT  
Ericka Totzke, Petitioner, v. Mister M Walker, Respondent.  
Case : CS 15-101

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT: Mister M. Walker  
You are hereby informed that you have been named a respondent in the above-entitled civil lawsuit. This legal notice of the *Petition to Register & Enforce a Foreign Judgment or Order* is now served upon you by publication. Your written *Answer* to the *Petition* must be filed with the Court on or before the twentieth day from the date of the second published issuance of this *Summons*. You may request a hearing within your written response. See RECOGNITION OF FOREIGN CHILD SUPPORT ORDERS ORDINANCE, 4 HCC § 2.5. Also, you must send or present a copy of your *Answer* to the opposing party listed above or to their attorney of record. Failure to file a timely *Answer* in the time allowed can affect your right to object to the enforcement of the foreign judgment or order. *Id.*, § 2.6c.  
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SUMMONS  
(First Publication)  
IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT  
Christobal Ruiz III, Petitioner, v. Ruth R. Houghton, Respondent.  
Case : CS 15-107

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT: Ruth R. Houghton  
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HO-CHUNK NATION  
LEGISLATURE  
REGULAR MEETING  
TRIBAL EXECUTIVE  
OFFICES  
BLACK RIVER FALLS,  
WISCONSIN  
JANUARY 19, 2016

**Call to Order:** President Wilfrid Cleveland calls the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

**Roll Call:** President Wilfrid Cleveland-P  
Rep. Andrea Estebo-P  
Vice President  
Darren Brinegar-P  
Rep. David Greendeer-P  
Rep. Greg Blackdeer-P  
Rep. Douglas Greengrass-P  
Rep. Lori Pettibone-P  
Rep. Henning Garvin-P  
Rep. Kathy DeCamp-P  
Rep. Shelby Visintin-EX  
Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit-P  
Rep. Matt Mullen-P  
Rep. Kathyleen Lone  
Tree-Whiterabbit-EX  
Rep. Robert TwoBears-P

**Determination of Quorum:** Quorum is established.

**Opening Prayer:** President Wilfrid Cleveland offered a word of prayer.

**Approval of Agenda:** **MOTION** by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:** **Regular Legislative Meeting January 5, 2016** **MOTION** by Vice President Darren Brinegar to approve the January 5, 2016 Legislative Meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo 10-0-1 (Rep. Douglas Greengrass) **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Finance Committee – January 6, 2016** **MOTION** by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit to approve the January 6, 2016 Finance Committee meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 10-0-1 (Rep. Douglas Greengrass) **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Administration Committee- January 7, 2016** **MOTION** by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to approve the January 7, 2016 Administration Committee meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone 10-0-1 (Rep. Douglas Greengrass) **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Kid’s Ranch Proposal** **MOTION** by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer the Kid’s Ranch Proposal to the next Finance Committee Meeting on January 28, 2016. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.** *Rep. Andrea Estebo out of the room.*

**Ancient Earthworks Society (AES) of Wisconsin-Rep. Henning Garvin:** *Rep. Andrea Estebo back in the room.*  
AES provided a lot of

information on mapping, preservation on earth works.

**MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to approve \$10,000.00 charitable donation to Ancient Earthworks Society of Wisconsin out of the Charitable Contributions. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution-Cancellation of Lease #1386 on Timber Run Lot #7 Rescinding 08-0-7-08 D & Resolution-Authorization of Land Lease on Lot #7 of Timber Run for Lightning New Rider.** Tamara Scoles was present and requested that the resolution be tabled until the issue has gone through Probate.

**MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to table agenda items C.-Cancellation of Lease #1386 on Timber Run Lot #7 Rescinding 08-07-08D and D. Resolution-Authorization of Land Lease on Lot #7 of Timber Run for Lightning New Rider, until the issue has gone through probate. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 9-0-2 (Rep. Robert Two Bears, Vice President Darren Brinegar) **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution- Cancellation of Lease #2224 on Lot #17 of Winnebago Heights #439 T 2100 Rescinding 8-17-00C.** **MOTION** by Vice President Darren Brinegar to adopt **Resolution 01-19-16 A**, Cancellation of Lease #2224 on Lot #17 of Winnebago Heights #439 T 2100 Rescinding 8-17-00 C with the corrections. Second by Rep. Matt Mullen. 10-0-1 (Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit) **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution-Authorization of Land Lease on Lot #17 of Winnebago Heights #439 T 2100 for Kevin Greengrass.** **MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt **Resolution 01-19-16 B**, Authorization of Land Lease on Lot #17 of Winnebago Heights #439 T 2100 for Kevin Greengrass. Second by Rep. David Greendeer. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Land Development Team (LDT) Items-Rep. Andrea Estebo:** **MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to table LDT Items until later today. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution-Authorization of Business Sites Lease on Tract #439 2132 for Central States Tower III, LLC.** **MOTION** by Rep. Lori Pettibone to adopt **Resolution 01-19-16 C**, Authorization of Business Sites Lease on Tract #439 2132 for Central States Tower III, LLC with corrections. Second by Rep. Douglas Greengrass. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Amendment to the Agenda: Resolution-Creating a Restricted Account in the Ho-Chunk Nation Department**

# Presidential listening session



Ho-Chunk Nation department heads and the president gathered on Monday, February 22, for a Presidential Listening Session in the Tribal Office Building in Black River Falls. Officials present for the meeting were (from left) Carlyle Greendeer (Heritage Preservation), Carol Garvin (Personnel), Michelle Greendeer Rave (not an executive director but legal counsel) Karena Thundercloud (Administration), Wilfrid Cleveland (President), Robert Mudd (Business), Sandra Gleason (Treasury), Margaux Carrimon (interim Social Services), Nehomah Thundercloud (Education), and Tracy Thundercloud (Labor). Department heads not pictured are Amanda WhiteEagle (DOJ), Ona Gavin (Health), Myra Jo Price (Housing) and Neil Whitegull (HHCDA).

**of Health, Environmental Health for a Solid Waste Dumpster Rental.** **MOTION** by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to amend the agenda to add Under New Business R. Resolution-Creating a Restricted Account in the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health, Environmental Health for a Solid Waste Dumpster Rental. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution-Creating a Restricted Account in the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health, Environmental Health for a Solid Waste Dumpster Rental.** **MOTION** by Rep. Lori Pettibone to adopt **Resolution 01-19-16 D**, Creating a Restricted Account in the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health, Environmental Health for a Solid Waste Dumpster Rental. Second by Rep. Robert TwoBears. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Lori Pettibone to allocate half of all future payments from the Central States Tower III, LLC cell phone tower lease to the District 1 Community Center Restricted Fund and the remaining half to the new D1 Community Solid Waste Dumpster Rental Account. Second by Rep. Douglas Greengrass. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution-Quick Passage Amendment to the Ho-Chunk Nation Election Code (2 HCC § 6).** **MOTION** by Vice President Darren Brinegar to table the resolution on Quick Passage Amendment to the Ho-Chunk Nation Election Code (2 HCC §6) until the next Legislative Meeting. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution-Granting A Suitability Waiver for Case No. WV 15-007.**

**MOTION** by Vice President Darren Brinegar to adopt **Resolution 01-19-16 E**, Granting a Suitability Waiver for Case No. WV 15-007. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution-Granting A Suitability Waiver for Case No. WV 15-008.** **MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to deny the Granting of a Suitability Waiver for Case No. WV 15-008. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by Vice President Darren Brinegar to have Legislative Counsel prepare a denial resolution for Case WV 15-008 by this afternoon. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution-Adoption of Amendments to the Juvenile Curfew Ordinance (4 HCC § 4).** **MOTION** by Vice President Darren Brinegar to adopt **Resolution 01-19-16 F**, Adoption of Amendments to the Juvenile Curfew Ordinance (4 HCC § 4) Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 9-0-2 (Rep. David Greendeer, Rep. Robert TwoBears) **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution-Support of Application for Race to the Top Early Challenge Learning Grant.** **MOTION** by Vice President Darren Brinegar to adopt **Resolution 01-19-16 G**, Support of Application for Race to the Top Early Challenge Learning Grant. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Ma hirakara Work Group – Rep. David Greendeer:** Budgets will be presented at the next meeting. A Sand Mine Handbook, Tribal Member Handbook along with a map on GIS to develop strategy. Reference was made

to refer the Mounds Issue to the Work Group a written report will be provided for the next meeting.

**Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary’s Tribal Advisory Committee (STAC)-Rep. Robert TwoBears:** **MOTION** by Rep. Lori Pettibone to recommend the appointment of Rep. Robert TwoBears to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary’s Tribal Advisory Committee (STAC) and, as a secondary appointment, Dashell Thunder, of the Ho-Chunk Nation Health Department, with a letter sent that the Nation supports these appointments. Second by Rep. David Greendeer. 10-0-1 (Rep. Robert TwoBears) **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution-Authorizing the Settlement of the Ho-Chunk Nation’s Claims Against the Indian Health Service for Unpaid Contract Support Costs for Fiscal Year 2008.** **MOTION** by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to adopt **Resolution 01-19-16 H**, Authorizing the Settlement of the Ho-Chunk Nation’s Claims Against the Indian Health Service for Unpaid Contract Support Costs for Fiscal Year 2008. Second by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

*Vice President Darren Brinegar was out of the room.*

**Resolution-U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services Center for Medicaid and Chip Services Connecting Kids to Coverage Outreach and Enrollment Cooperative Agreement.** *Vice President Darren Brinegar returns.* **MOTION** by Rep. David Greendeer to adopt **Resolution 01-19-16 I**, U.S.

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Department of Health and Human Services Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services Center for Medicaid and Chip Services Connecting Kids to Coverage Outreach and Enrollment Cooperative Agreement. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**DISTRICT MEETINGS: Black River Falls Area Meeting-January 13, 2016: READ FOR THE RECORD:**

**MOTION** by Cecelia Kraus to correct the information regarding the Ethics Review Board stipends from their first meetings.

**MOTION** by Rep. Lori Pettibone to refer to the Ho-Chunk Nation Police Department the **MOTION** by Forrest Funmaker to have the Legislature develop an investigative position job description and put funding equivalent to the Jackson County Investigator position toward the position for the Ho-Chunk Nation Police Department to be completed in two months. Second by Rep. Greg Blackdeer. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**La Crosse Area Meeting-January 11, 2016: READ FOR THE RECORD:**

**MOTION** by Tracy Littlejohn that the Nation pay for the supplies up to \$400 for the Mitchell Whiterabbit and Alvin Blackdeer drum restoration in the same colors and design.

**MOTION** by Rep. David Greendeer to refer to Legislative Counsel the **MOTION** by Tracy Littlejohn that the Legislature negotiate and consider purchasing half of the Masonic Temple for the La Crosse Area Youth Services. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Tomah Youth Outdoor Lights & PA System-D2**

**MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to table the Tomah Youth Outdoor Lights & PA System. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Wittenberg Area Meeting-January 11, 2016: READ FOR THE RECORD:**

**MOTION** by Lorenzo Funmaker to table the election of a HHCD Commissioner until next month.

**MOTION** by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to Office of the President and Department of Housing the **MOTION** by Clint Beversdorf to inquire about the Ho-Chunk Nation Housing HOP and Rental application process and eligibility status for homes in the Wittenberg Area. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 10-0-0 **MOTION**

**CARRIED.** *Rep. Lori Pettibone out of the room*

**MOTION** by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to refer to Office of the President and Department of Housing the **MOTION** by Shelby Decorah that any housing units be offered to members of the area first, before outside the area. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.** *Rep. Lori Pettibone out of the room.*

**Milwaukee Area Meeting-January 13, 2016: MOTION** by Vice President Darren Brinegar to refer to Office of the President and Administration Department the **MOTION** by Milly Whiteagle-Lee to get a stove for the kitchen and install a ventilation system. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.** *Rep. Lori Pettibone out of the*

*room.*

**Chicago Area Meeting-January 11, 2016:** *Rep. Lori Pettibone returns.*

**MOTION** by Rep. Matt Mullen to appoint Jo Ann Maney to the Tribal Aging Unit for another term. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Minneapolis/St. Paul Area Meeting-January 14, 2016: MOTION** by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit to refer to the Finance Committee Meeting on January 28, 2016 the **MOTION** by Curtis West for charitable contribution of \$2,000.00 for the Special Olympics Polar Plunge on March 5, 2016 from the Ho-Chunk Nation. Second by Rep. Matt Mullen. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**CONFERENCE APPROVALS: NAFOA 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference**

**MOTION** by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to approve up to four legislators, attorneys, and finance related staff to attend NAFOA 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference at the Sheraton Wild horse Pass Resort & Spa in Phoenix, AZ, April 18-19, 2016. Second by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**2016 Executive Council Winter Session**

Discussion was on the approval of all NCAI sessions at a previous meeting. It was suggested to restate and amend the NCAI resolution to add language to include travel. It was also suggested to make an additional motion.

**MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to approve up to four legislators and one attorney to attend the 2016 Executive Council Winter Session in Washington, D.C. on February 22-24, 2016. Second by Rep.

Lori Pettibone. 10-1(Rep. Henning Garvin)-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**M.A.S.T. Impact Week 2016**

**MOTION** by Rep. Robert TwoBears to approve up to four legislators and one Legislative Counsel to attend M.A.S.T. Impact Week in Washington, D.C. on April 27-29, 2016. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**LUNCH**

**MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to break for lunch at 11:22 a.m. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 9-2 (Rep. Matt Mullen, Rep. Greg Blackdeer)-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Call to Order:** President Wilfrid Cleveland calls the meeting to order at 12:31 p.m.

**Roll Call:** President Wilfrid Cleveland-P

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CHILD ABUSE AND  
EXPLOITATION



## Crimes Against Children in Indian Country Conference

March 22–24, 2016 | Wisconsin Dells, WI

**About the Conference**

Native American youth are impacted by unique and challenging threats that affect their physical and emotional development and well-being. Substance and physical abuse, families in crisis, and violence continue to threaten their communities. Join us to gather resources, strengthen relationships between agencies, and promote a multi-disciplinary, multi-jurisdictional approach to serving Native young people.

**Conference Highlights**

- Hurricane Katrina: Responding to Missing Children
- Discovery of Resources Near Tribal Lands: Impact on the Community
- Lessons Learned from the Red Lake School Shooting

**What will you gain?**

Upon completion of this conference you will be able to:

- Provide resources to children who have become separated from their families during disasters.
- Identify the challenges that natural resource discoveries can have on tribal communities.
- Build solid cases by conducting proper youth interviews.
- Handle media inquiries effectively during a critical incident in your community.
- Become part of or develop a Child Abduction Response Team (CART).
- Enhance your ability to handle school shooting situations.

**Is this training right for you?**

The following disciplines are encouraged to attend:

- Child protection
- Community
- Courts
- Law enforcement
- School personnel
- Youth & social services

**Registration Fee**

The fee to attend the conference is \$225 per participant. There is **NO FEE** to attend the pre/post conference trainings; however, pre-registration is required.

**Pre-Conference: Lessons learned from Hurricane Katrina in Responding to Missing Children**

Join us to discuss disaster reunification planning, the support NCMEC offers, and the implications for children separated from their parents and guardians in the aftermath of a disaster.

**Post-Conference: Technology Facilitated Crimes Against Children in Indian Country**

Join us to develop a collaborative approach between tribal, state, and local law enforcement to effectively respond to the exploitation of children through technology and the internet.

**Training Schedule & Location**

Pre-conference	8:30 am–4:00 pm	March 21
Conference	8:00 am–5:00 pm	March 22-23
	8:00 am–12:00 pm	March 24
Post-conference	1:00 pm–5:00 pm	March 24

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# Ethics Review Board Vacancies

The Ethics Review Board has the following board vacancies:

District 2: Madison

In accordance with Ethics Review Board Bylaws Article III, Section h.2., Board vacancies shall be posted in the tribal newsletter once when a vacancy on the Board exists. Nominations for new members may be made at their respective Area Legislative monthly meeting.

Ethics Review Board  
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Rep. Matt Mullen-P  
Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit-EX  
Rep. Robert TwoBears-P

*\*Note -Conference call in*  
**Determination of Quorum:**  
Quorum is established.

***Amendment to the Agenda Denial of Suitability Waiver for Case No. WV 15-008.***  
**MOTION** by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to amend the agenda and to add Under New Business S. Denial

of Suitability Waiver for Case No. WV 15-008 to the agenda. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

***Resolution-Denial of Suitability Waiver for Case No. WV15-008.***  
**MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt ***Resolution 1-19-16 J***, Denial of Suitability Waiver for Case No. WV 15-008. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**


**Executive Session:**  
**MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to go into Executive Session. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

12:34 p.m.  
**MOTION** by Vice President Darren Brinegar to move to Open Session. Second by Rep. Robert TwoBears. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

4:06 p.m.  
**MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to ratify all action taken in Executive Session. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

***Amendment to the Agenda Save the Mounds Public Relations Wrap Up, Revenue Projections and Unexpended Funds Report.***  
**MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to amend the agenda to add Save the Mounds Public Relations Wrap Up, Revenue Projections and Unexpended Funds Report. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. 11-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**



***Save the Mounds Public Relations Wrap Up-Ryan Greendeer, Collin Price:***  
A brief report was provided on the Save the Mounds Issue. It was a huge success on a public relations stand point. The amount allocated came under budget.



# Registration Form

Building a Multi-Disciplinary Response Team to Prevent Crimes Against Children in Indian Country

March 21-24, 2016 ♦ Wisconsin Dells, WI



1) Training Course

Conference	Event Date(s)	Event Fee	Class #
<b>Please Check Which Events You Will Be Attending</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 day pre-conference (no fee) <input type="checkbox"/> 2 ½ day conference <input type="checkbox"/> ½ day post-conference (no fee)	Monday, March 21, 2016 March 22 – 24, 2016 Thursday, March 24, 2016	<b>\$225</b>	<b>65375</b>

2) Participant Information \* Indicates required field

*First Name	M.I.	*Last Name	Suffix	*Gender <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F
*Registrant’s Title/Rank:		*Agency Name (and department if applicable)		Tribe Name (if applicable)
*Agency/Tribe Address 1			Address 2	
*City			*State	*Postal Code
*Date of Birth	*Email Address (at least one is required for confirmation purposes) Work: Home:			
*Phone Number (at least one is required for confirmation purposes, with area code) Work: Ext. Cell:		*Preferred Phone <input type="checkbox"/> Work <input type="checkbox"/> Cell	Fax:	
County (*for Wisconsin residents only)	Municipality (*for Wisconsin residents only) <input type="checkbox"/> City of <input type="checkbox"/> Town of <input type="checkbox"/> Village of		School District (*for Wisconsin residents only)	

The following information is required by the federal government for statistical purposes.

<b>Discipline</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Civic Organizations <input type="checkbox"/> Corrections/Probation/Parole <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Justice Practitioner <input type="checkbox"/> Defense	<input type="checkbox"/> Institutional Corrections <input type="checkbox"/> Non Profit <input type="checkbox"/> Other Law Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Police <input type="checkbox"/> Pretrial Services Agency	<input type="checkbox"/> Prosecution <input type="checkbox"/> Sheriffs <input type="checkbox"/> State/local Task Force <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment Professional <input type="checkbox"/> Other_____
<b>Type of Agency</b> <input type="checkbox"/> City/Local <input type="checkbox"/> County	<input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> Indian Affairs <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> NPO 501 <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Tribal

\*1) Are you Hispanic or Latino? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
2) Select any other group or groups that apply to you. (Select all that apply)  
☐ American Indian or Alaska Native ☐ Asian ☐ Black or African American ☐ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander ☐ White

3) Payment Information (\*please select a method of payment)

☐ Check ☐ Purchase Order ☐ Invoice Agency in #2 ☐ Money Order ☐ I am requesting financial assistance (see attached form)  
☐ Credit Card\*\* <<Note: Only the following cards are accepted: **MasterCard**, **American Express** or **Discover**. A non-refundable 2.75% (minimum \$3.00) service fee will apply.>>  
**\*\*To pay by credit card, please call our office at 888-370-1752. You will need the first/last name on the card, billing address, and 3 digit security code.**

4) Approving Authority Information \* Indicates required field

The participant is responsible for any fees incurred by this program if the proper approval is not obtained. You must obtain Agency approval in whose jurisdiction your agency is located prior to receiving training through this program. Enter your supervisor information or the person responsible for approving your attendance.

*First Name	*Last Name	*Rank/Title
*Organization Name and Address <input type="checkbox"/> check if same as #2		
*Phone	Ext.	*Email (required for confirmation purposes)
*Checking ‘Approval Acknowledgment’ acknowledges that your agency has approved your attendance at this training. It is your responsibility to obtain that approval. It also acknowledges that you have read and understand the following attendance policy. Participants are required to attend the entire training session. Please refer to your confirmation email for cancellation procedures.		<input type="checkbox"/> Approval Acknowledgment <input type="checkbox"/> Decline

5) Registration Form Submission

<b>FAX</b> (920) 831-5400	<b>EMAIL</b> sterling@fvtc.edu	<b>QUESTIONS</b> Info@ncjtc.org
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***Revenue Projections- Rep. Andrea Estebo, Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit:***  
Rep. Andrea Estebo was wanting to know when the real projections would be available from the Executive Branch. Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit explained that Friday, January 15, 2016 was the deadline for the Unexpended Funds. Treasury was having problems with uploading information. The other thing is Robert Mudd is new to the position and he needs time to review information. Robert Mudd, Executive Director of Business was allowing up to 4:30 p.m. today, and we should expect them on Wednesday, January 20, 2016. Spending limits are needed by next Thursday, January 21, 2016. Rep. Andrea Estebo was inquiring on further discussion at Finance to discuss the spending limits. Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit mentions that the Legislative finance staff will be sending out the final projections.

***Unexpended Funds:***  
Rep. Andrea Estebo was asking if any information was received on the Unexpended Funds. Clint Breed, Financial Examiner, explained that an email was sent to Treasury requesting information. The report should be available for the next Finance Meeting.

**Adjournment:**  
**MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to adjourn to Southland Center in Lynwood, IL on February 9, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. Second by Rep. Robert TwoBears. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**  
The Legislative meeting adjourned at 4:22 p.m. Respectfully submitted by, Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit, Tribal Secretary



# HO-CHUNK NATION PRESIDENTIAL LISTENING SESSIONS



## FEBRUARY 2016

- \* **Madison** Branch Office  
Thursday Feb. 11  
5-7 PM
- \* **St Paul** Branch Office  
Monday Feb. 15  
5-7 PM
- \* **Black River Falls** TOB  
Monday Feb. 22  
5-7 PM
- \* **Baraboo/Wis Dells** HOW  
Thursday Feb. 25  
5-7 PM

## MARCH 2016

- \* **Chicago** Branch Office  
Wednesday March 2  
5-7 PM
- \* **Milwaukee** Branch Office  
Thursday March 3  
5-7 PM
- \* **Tomah** Youth Center  
Monday March 7  
5-7 PM
- \* **LaCrosse** Branch Office  
Wednesday March 9  
5-7 PM
- \* **Nekoosa** Community Bldg.  
Thursday March 10  
5-7 PM
- \* **Green Bay** Branch Office  
Tuesday March 15  
5-7 PM
- \* **Wittenberg** TAU Building  
Wednesday March 16  
5-7 PM

### Wittenberg Area Meeting

Monday, March 14, 2016 6:00pm  
POTCHEENUNK-WITTENBERG, WI

### WI Dells Area Meeting

Monday, March 21, 2016 6:00pm  
INDIAN HEIGHTS COMMUNITY BUILDING – WISCONSIN DELLS, WI

### Nekoosa Area Meeting

Wednesday, March 16, 2016 6:00pm  
CHAKH-HAH-CHEE COMMUNITY BUILDING

### Green Bay Area Meeting

Thursday, March 17, 2016 6:00pm  
1047 S. 9th St, Green Bay, WI

## Indian Baptist Church of Wisconsin Dells


(Member of the American Baptist Churches of Wisconsin)

N460 Hwy 12/16, Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965

*Acts 2:47 – Praising God, and having favour with all the People.  
And the Lord added to the Church daily such as should be saved.*

**Come and join us –  
Worship Service: 10:00 am**

In the near future, discussion is being made about  
having bible study before worship services.  
And Sunday school for our young.



Information provided by George Greendeer, a member  
of the Indian Baptist Church since Easter 1976.

**Serving the Wisconsin Dells  
Ho-Chunk Community since 1933**

# Third Annual Pace and Pedal

Submitted by Kathleen Clemons, MS, RCEP, CDE, CHWC

The 3rd annual Pace and Pedal that will be taking place on May 21st. This year we will be paying for registrations for 50 Tribal members. **The first 50 to get the paper registrations to me (Kathleen Clemons) will be covered.** You will then be sent a per cap waiver later. You can scan and email to me (Kathleen.clemons@ho-chunk.com), interoffice it or send to my attention at: Ho-Chunk Healthcare Center, N6520 Lumberjack Guy Road, Black River Falls, WI 54615. To all others, please register online or you can use the paper registration.



**Saturday, May 21, 2016**  
Wazee Lake Recreation Area, Black River Falls, WI

<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>PACE &amp; PEDAL DUATHLON</b> \$30 per person or \$50 per team 5.7 Mile TRAIL Run, 10.3 Mile Bike (helmet required) Registration includes event registration, chip timing & t-shirt*
<b>8:15 a.m.</b>	<b>5k WAZEE FUN RUN/WALK</b> \$20 per person 3.1 Mile Run/Walk (fully paved, strollers welcome, no pets) Registration includes event registration & t-shirt*
<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>YOUTH RACE</b> (0.8 miles) <b>FREE Registration</b> Registration includes race headband and participant medal

**Pace & Pedal Duathlon Award Ceremony to begin following completion of the youth race.**

\* receive a performance t-shirt when registered by May 8th, 2016


**RACE DIVISIONS**  
Pace & Pedal Duathlon: 19 & under, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60+, 2-person Team  
Youth Race: ages 12 & under

**REGISTRATION - [www.brmh.net/paceandpedal](http://www.brmh.net/paceandpedal)**

No refunds. All events will take place rain or shine. If lightening occurs, times will be backed up in 1/2 hour increments, with cancellation after 2 hours.

Event Co-sponsors:  
 **Black River MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**  


All proceeds to benefit **Jackson In Action** - a community coalition promoting healthy lifestyles in Jackson County.




## Become a Ho-Chunk Nation Placement Parent

Short and Long Term, Emergency or Respite Only

Please contact:

Karen Loewenhagen, CSW  
Placement Parent Coordinator,  
Ho-Chunk Nation Child and Family Services  
1-855-659-8820 or  
Email: [PlacementHomes@ho-chunk.com](mailto:PlacementHomes@ho-chunk.com)





REGISTRATION FORM



PARTICIPANT #1 (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Age on Race Day: \_\_\_\_\_ T-Shirt\* Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Male ☐ Female ☐  
\*receive a performance t-shirt when registered by May 8th, 2016

(if participating in the Duathlon as a team, please fill out the information for participant #2)

PARTICIPANT #2 (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Age on Race Day: \_\_\_\_\_ T-Shirt\* Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Male ☐ Female ☐  
\*receive a performance t-shirt when registered by May 8th, 2016

RACE SELECTION:

- ☐ **PACE & PEDAL DUATHLON**  
Registration includes: event registration, chip timing and performance t-shirt, if registered by *May 8th, 2016*  
Race Divisions: 19 & under, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60+, 2-person team
- ☐ Individual Runner - \$30.00
- ☐ 2-person Team - \$45.00 (fill out participant #2 information above if participating as a team)

- ☐ **5k WAZEE FUN RUN/WALK**  
Registration - \$20.00 (includes event registration and performance t-shirt if registered by May 8th, 2016)  
Any age welcome

- ☐ **YOUTH RUN**  
Registration - No Charge (includes race headband and participant medal)

PAYMENT: Make payable to: Jackson In Action

Send check or money order to:



Black River Memorial Hospital  
Attn: Anna Jotham, Marketing & Business Development  
711 West Adams Street  
Black River Falls, WI 54615

ACCIDENT LIABILITY WAIVER

I acknowledge that the registered event is an extreme test of a person’s physical and mental limit and carries with it the potential for death, serious injury and property loss. The risks include, but are not limited to, those caused by terrain, facilities, participants, spectators, volunteers, coaches, event officials, and event monitors, and/or producers of the event, and lack of hydration. I hereby assume all the risks for participating in this event. I certify that I am physically fit, have sufficiently trained for participation in the event, and have not been advised otherwise by a qualified medical person. I acknowledge that this Accident Waiver and Release of Liability (AWRL) will be used by the event holders, participants, sponsors, service providers, and organizers in which I may participate and that it will govern my actions and the responsibilities at said event.

In consideration of my application and permitting me to participate in the event, I hereby take action for myself, my executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, successors and assigns as follows: (A) Waive, Release and Discharge from any and all liability for my death, disability, personal injury, property damage, property theft, or actions of any kind which may hereafter accrue to me or my traveling to and from this event, including but not limited to Tortoise & Hare Race Management, LLC, their directors, officers, employees, volunteers, representatives and agents, the event holders, event sponsors, event directors, event volunteers; (B) Indemnify and Hold Harmless the entities or person(s) mentioned in this paragraph from any and all liabilities or claims made by other individuals or entities as a result or my actions during the event.

I hereby consent to receive medical treatment, which may be deemed advisable in the event of injury, accident and/or illness during the event. This AWRL shall be construed broadly to provide release and waiver to the

maximum extent permissible under the applicable law: I grant permission to the event organizers and Tortoise & Hare Race Management, LLC to use my name, image, and photographs, videos, email address to contact you, or any other record of my participation in the event for race commercial purposes including but not limited to newspaper, website, brochures, fliers, radio, and television. I hereby certify that I have read this document and I understand its content.

I hereby consent to and authorize Black River Memorial Hospital and its agents, staff and representatives to make, use, edit, reproduce and publish any of the following (strike if not applicable): photographs, video, verbal comments, written comments, taped interview and other audiovisual records of me. I consent to and authorize the use of these items in the following manner (strike if not applicable): publications, community or public announcements, internet/website, e-mail, social media, and release to the media. This consent shall act to expressly release from liability Black River Memorial Hospital, any and all of its staff, its agents, representatives, consultants and physicians.

Participant’s #1 Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Participant’s #1 Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Participant’s #2 Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Participant’s #2 Signature \_\_\_\_\_



Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal Workforce Development



Free  
Computer  
Training  
Classes

Interested in updating your computer skills or learning a new program?

- Introduction to computers
- Microsoft Office – Word, Excel, PowerPoint

Active participants will receive a **Certificate of Completion**

Stop by our office TODAY!

For more information

(715)-284-5877

[william.collins@ho-chunk.com](mailto:william.collins@ho-chunk.com)

[julie.rodriguez@ho-chunk.com](mailto:julie.rodriguez@ho-chunk.com)

An Update for  
**BMO Harris Payroll Card**  
**Cardholders**

The Ho-Chunk Nation will replace the current BMO Harris Payroll Card program in March. Current cardholders please note the following dates and actions:

1. The last deposit to BMO Harris Payroll cards will be March 15, 2016.
2. Ensure that you have the correct mailing address registered to your account. Visit [www.consumer-cardaccess.com/bmohpaycard](http://www.consumer-cardaccess.com/bmohpaycard) or call 800 418-3948 to ensure your information is up to date.
3. Stop any automatic withdrawals or recurring payments you have set up for this account and establish an alternate form of payment. (This may include utility bills, gym memberships, monthly fees, etc.)
4. Promptly withdraw any remaining funds on the account via purchases, ATM withdrawals or a cash advance at any bank that issues MasterCard cards.
5. After March 15, 2016, your cards will continue to work for transactions and you will continue to have access to your funds and to the program web site until March 31, 2016. At that point, any remaining funds on the account will be sent to you via check to your last known address we have on record.

We apologize for any inconvenience that this change may cause you and we are committed to providing you with support throughout this transition. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your Payroll Department or Chris Dreves at (715) 284-1660 extension 1219 for more information.



2016 Concrete Industry Introduction Training  
Screenings

Minnesota Chippewa Tribal Building  
1308 E. Franklin Ave.  
Minneapolis, MN 55404

<b>Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10 am – 2 pm</b>
<b>Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10 am – 2 pm</b>
<b>Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10 am – 2 pm</b>

Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Labor - Tribal Workforce Development is seeking enrolled Ho-Chunk Nation members, 18 years of age or older, resident of Minnesota, who are seriously interested in a career in the concrete industry.

For more information please contact Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal Workforce Development  
715-284-5877 | [william.collins@ho-chunk.com](mailto:william.collins@ho-chunk.com) | [julie.rodriguez@ho-chunk.com](mailto:julie.rodriguez@ho-chunk.com)



March

Elders Birthdays



3 Owen Cloud

4 Loren Rave

5 Gary Keller

Tammy Littlebear

7 Wayne Johnson

William Payer

Jilleen Scott

Lillian Thundercloud

8 George Youngthunder

9 Morgan WhiteEagle

Debra Sturdevant

10 Geraldine Conery

Elliott Garvin

Theresa Lerma

Patricia Ennis

11 Janice Stott

Norman Snake Sr.

Dennis Lewis

Mary Whitegull

12 Sandra Blackdeer

Dale Garvin

Daniel Topping

Lavon Wright

Janice Savage

Woodrow White

12 Marsha Smith

13 Purcel Delarosa

Chloris Lowe Jr.

Andrea Storm

Judith Ann Thundercloud

14 Alvin Alderman

Gloria Godfrey

Bonnie Smith

Mary Ellen Allowan

15 Francis Steindorf

18 Harlan Hendrix

Virgil Pettibone Jr.

Elva Brown

19 Dennis Whitehorse

Maureen Sanford

20 Brenda Brown

Carmen Farrell-Shubert

21 Debra Orth

22 Leroy Bigsoldier

23 Fidel Delarosa

Rana Moser

Daniel Green

24 Loren Payer

Jeffrey Goodbear

Foster Cloud

25 Helene Lincoln

26 Velma Lewis

Marcella Duke

Cynthia Wagner

Patricia Decorah

27 Raymond Lopez

Paul Whitehorse

Frieda Blackcoon

28 Gloria Ward

Phyllis McCloud

Walter Whitehorse

29 Stephanie Higgins

Maureen Decorah

30 William Goodbear

Lionel Cloud

Debra Lozano

Priscilla Gakin

Clara Swan

Linda Casper

31 Marcella Patton

Delores Beatty

Happy Birthday

Polly O'Brien



From your family  
and friends who love you.



HO-CHUNK NATION DEPT. OF HEALTH

PRESCRIPTION DRUG

MONITORING PROGRAM

Community Education Conference

Ho-Chunk Gaming - Wisconsin Dells

Upper Ballroom

Thursday, March 17th, 2016

8:30am—2:30pm

Registration and breakfast begin at 8:30am

Variety of keynote speakers discussing PDMP and drug abuse  
related topics

-Breakfast and Lunch Provided

For conference agenda and more information go to:  
<http://health.ho-chunk.com/PDMP.htm>

Ho-Chunk Nation

Election Board

Vacancy Announcement

The Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board is seeking a Delegate to fill current vacancies on their board in the St. Paul/Mpls district.

• Delegate St. Paul/Mpls.

The terms will end December 2016.

Individuals may be nominated at their local area meetings and submit a letter of interest as well as qualifying information immediately. It is very important that all districts be represented at the Election Board Meetings. The following information below is how you would contact the Election Board Office.

Myrna LittleWolf

Election Board Chairperson

Melissa Olvera

Election Board Office

P.O. Box 756, 206 South Roosevelt Rd

Black River Falls, WI 54615

(715)284.8900 • (715)284-8600 FAX

(800)890.0583

The following is the job description for Election Board Members:

The Election Board shall conduct all General and Special Elections in a fair and impartial manner.

Shall notify the voters of the polling places not less than 15 days before the elections.

Shall ensure that all candidates meet the qualifications for office.

No member of the Election Board may actively campaign for the nomination, election, recall or removal of any elected official.

The Election Board shall seek uphold and to the terms of the HCN Election Board Ordinance.

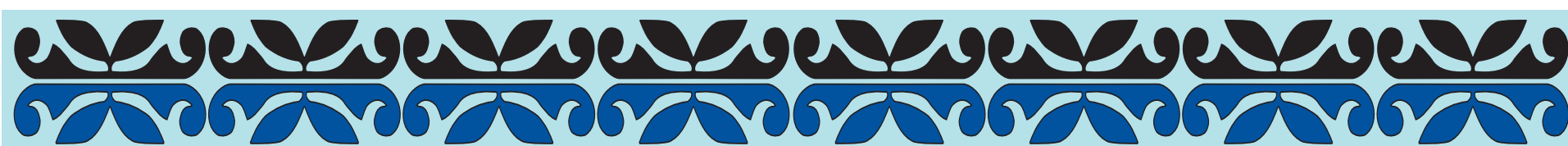
Two consecutive unexcused absences for duly called Board meetings shall result in automatic removal from the board unless the absent Board Member establishes to the satisfaction of the Board good cause for his/her absence.

Must be an adult enrolled Ho-Chunk tribal member.

All Election Board members shall serve two (2) years or until their successors have been chosen. Election Board Members may serve more than one (1) term.

Proof of motor vehicle operator's license/insurance are required.





# MARCH MADNESS 2016

**March  
11 -13  
2016**



Sponsored by the  
House of Wellness  
& the Ho-Chunk Nation

**Entry Fee: Men's \$600 Women's \$400**

**3rd Annual  
Roberta Funmaker  
All-Stars Women's  
Tournament**

**16 Men's & 12 Women's Teams - Double Elimination**

**Men's 1st-\$10,000 2nd-\$6,000 3rd-\$3,000 4th-\$1,500**

**Women's 1st-\$7,000 2nd-\$5,000 3rd-\$3,000**

All tournament players 18 & older, out of High School & proof of tribal enrollment with photo ID  
Payment in Full, Cashiers Check or Money Order - NO refunds or Team/Money Transfers

**Lil' Hoopsters Saturday Noon-1PM Registration @ 11AM - Limited to 80**

**Friday Special Events**

**March Madness**

**Nelson Funmaker 3-pt Shootout Tournament Admission**

**Kunu Yazzie Slam Dunk Contest Daily or Weekend**

**[www.facebook.com/ho-chunkHOW](http://www.facebook.com/ho-chunkHOW) or 888-560-4616 ext. 5506**



**House of Wellness  
S2845 White Eagle Road  
Baraboo, WI 53913  
1-888-560-4616**

